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SUBJECT: MINISTERIAL CHANGES IN SRI LANKA

1. CEYLONSE EMBASSY INFORMS US THAT FELIX DIAS BANDARANAIKE WILL BE SWORN IN AS FINANCE MINISTER IN WASHINGTON BY AMBASSADOR KANAKARATNE ON SEPTEMBER 3 BEFORE PARTICIPATING BRIEFLY IN IMF/IBRD DISCUSSIONS. BANDARANAIK PLANS NO CALLS ON U.S. OFFICIALS AND WILL DEPART WASHINGTON FOR COLOMBO SEPTEMBER 5.

2. IN CHANCE CONVERSATION SEPTEMBER 1 IN NEW YORK WITH FORMER EMBOFF ED BRYNN, BANDARANAIKE NOTED THAT HE HAD BEEN IN CONSTANT CONTACT WITH PRIME MINISTER. AS OF THAT TIME, PM INTENDED TO APPOINT KOBBEKKADUWA AS ACTING PLANTATIONS MINISTER AND KALUGALLE AS ACTING MINISTER OF TRANSPORT. BRYNN WAS ALSO TOLD THAT SEVERAL LSSP POLITICIANS WERE DEFECTING TO SLFP INCLUDING MANGALA MOONESINGHE, M.P. FOR BALUTHSINHALA. ROBINSON

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